



## How much does it cost?

The cost to join NSTA depends on your occupation and how much access you want to the site. There is a flat rate to be a member of NSTA. There are special discounts for students, new teachers, and retired teachers though. There are also four journals that are published through NSTA, which determines your price by how many subscriptions are wanted.

If you are an inservice teacher, the membership is \$75.00 per year which provides access to one journal of your choice. If you want to access to more than one journal, the price will go up. When purchasing your membership, you can save 7% - 13% off if you buy up to 5 years at one time. Here is a list of the price breakdown;

- One Journal \$75.00
- Two Journals \$110.00
- Three Journals \$147.00
- Four Journals \$182.00

If you are a student, new teacher, or retired teacher, a membership with NSTA will cost \$35.00 per year for up to 5 years. In order to get the discounted price, you need to show proof that you qualify for it. Students must provide proof of their current registration and an instructor's signature. New teachers must provide a copy of their teaching certificate or a letter from administration. Retired teachers must have been a member for 5 consecutive years with NSTA before retirement.

## What journals are published?

There are four different journals that NSTA publishes. These are all peer-reviewed journals. They cover from kindergarten through higher education. Here is a list of the journals published through NSTA;

1. Science and Children (K-6)
2. Science Scope (6-9)
3. The Science Teacher (9-12)
4. Journal of College Science Teaching



Here are some of the covers that have been published through NSTA for *Science and Children*, *Science Scope*, *The Science Teacher*, and *Journal of College Science Teaching*.

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## What is accessible as non-members?

If you are not a member of NSTA, there are still many different things throughout the website that you are still able to do. Non-members are able to shop the Science store, access the NSTA Learning Center, participate in online discussions, learn about NSTA, and access the Science Teacher Preparation Programs.

The NSTA Learning Center is a great resource for teachers as well as upcoming teachers. The Learning Center helps to create a better understanding of what needs to be taught. It elaborates on the science content in different subject areas as well as ways to teach it. While in the Learning Center, you can specifically search by subject, grade level, or standard.

The About NSTA link is helpful for teachers or upcoming teachers who are considering whether they want a membership or not. This page will tell you how NSTA started and what they stand for and do. There is a wide range of information that will give teachers reassurance on becoming a member. A direct link for this page is [www.nsta.org/about/](http://www.nsta.org/about/).

The Science Teacher Preparation Programs helps teachers while they are just beginning as well as they continue their career. There are different PDF files that can be read on 2012 NSTA Standards for Science.



## Benefits

- Peer-reviewed Journals
- Learning Center (face-to-face or online)
- Easily Informed (reports, newsletters, press, and SciLinks)
- Easily Connected (e-mail, Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn, YouTube, and blogs)
- Auto Debit Plan Membership (automatically debit when membership needs to be renewed)
- Discounted Geico Insurance
- Insurance Plans (term life, disability, professional liability, etc.)
- 20% off SciGuides
- Discount on many books, digital content, and conference registration (up to 35% off conferences)

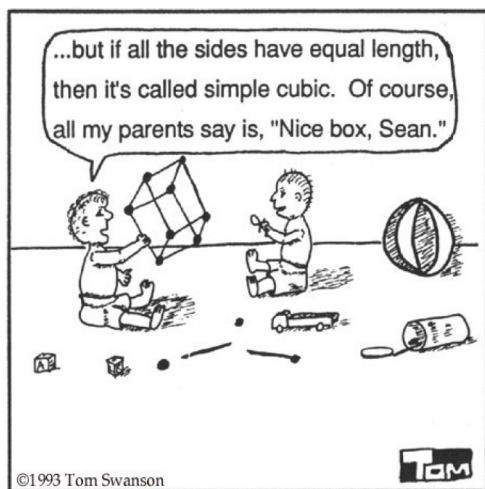
**“THE TALK IS ALL ABOUT SCIENCE.”**

## What are our opinions of NSTA/TSTA?

Leslee said, "As for the overall experience of the site, I felt it had some great informations and tools to use. I wish I was a member so that I could have a better understanding of what members are able to do on the site. It seemed easy to navigate with the tabs and links, but I feel like I would have a better experience using the site if I were an actual member of NSTA."

Lindy said, "Overall NSTA has a lot to offer to teachers that teach Science. NSTA has everything organized by grades, which makes it easy for teachers to navigate. The fact that their journals are organized by the way grades are usually divided by schools allows teachers to subscribe to journals that matter to them. The website felt extremely overwhelming to me, which in turn made it a little hard to navigate, but I think that is just due to the abundance of information they have to offer. I think with a membership and time, this would be a great asset for a teacher who has to teach science."

Morgan said, "Out of all the sites I truly like the TSTA site the best! I like the way it is easy to access for everyone. Even though there are membership fees, a lot of the links found on their site are completely free of charge! The fees are not expensive and you gain access to so much. I think that all teachers could benefit from at least visiting their site even if they do not pay for a membership. This website will allow teachers all over Tennessee to connect and share ideas. They can find many opportunities to meet new teachers and grow and learn at conferences and workshops held nationwide!"



## Who is the Associated State Affiliate of NSTA?

NSTA is associated with Tennessee Science Teachers Association (TSTA). You can access TSTA on the web at [www.tnsta.com](http://www.tnsta.com). Tennessee Science Teachers Association provides opportunities for professional growth and leadership.

The membership annual fees are as listed;

- One Year \$20.00
- Two Years \$35.00
- Three Years \$50.00
- A Lifetime \$300.00

Some of the benefits to TSTA are as listed;

- Annual Professional Development Conference Discount
- Access to information involving upcoming conferences and workshops
- Be part of a professional community
- Increase opportunities to network with teachers from across Tennessee

TSTA's website has important dates clearly represented, a list of useful science education links, and shows grants that are available for teachers.

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